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1. GOA May 24 "intervened" Editorial Olta S.A.C.I., publisher of ~~La Opinion~~ "La Opinion," and ~~Establecimientos~~ Establecimientos Graficos Gustavo S.A., which prints the daily. Intervention was decreed along with that of other companies (sociedades) ostensibly linked with David Graiver's financial empire. The Ministry of Justice appointed retired Army Brig. General Teofilo Goyret as government interventor of the newspaper and the print shop on May 26. The May 27 issue carries his name on the masthead as the responsible official in the newspaper. Editorial staff member Mario Diamant/~~PAO~~ ~~PAO~~ May 26 predicted to Goyret would be responsible for the newspaper's editorial policy henceforth, the implication being that paper probably would now hew the government line. ~~Diamant along with five~~

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("Clarín" ■ May 27 reported that Goyret told "Opinion" committee he will soon appoint editor for paper.) Diament, along with ■ five or six other members of the editorial staff, plans join staff of daily "Clarín" within a few weeks.

2- Meanwhile, Editor Jacobo Timerman, detained by GOA on April 15, has been removed from "incommunicado" list and reportedly received visit by family May 25. According to Diament, he appeared to be in reasonably good health, although he has lost some weight.

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